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# FEDERAL PROBE

Investigating An Alleged Dynamiting Conspiracy

#### AT INDIANAPOLIS STARTS

United States Prosecuting Officers Are to Present Evidence to Federal Grand Jury in That City on December 14.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 4 .- "Some persons that have apparently been so astonished by the pleas of guilty by the Mrs. Robert Bain Is Said to Have Signed McNamara brothers may be still further amazed," said a representative of the employers' organization which is watching the federal probe here into an alenormous sum of money.

Plans for the federal investigation went forward yesterday and to-day. Detective William J. Burns discussed with by the jury for the trial of James B. United States District Attorney Charles McNamara for the fatalities growing W. Miller the evidence to be presented out of the Los Angeles Times explosion. "I am no respecter of persons and whether the men associated with the McNamaras are 'higher up' or 'lower down,' they will be prosecuted." Any exposure that will be made will

come from indictments, if indictments are returned, for violation of the federal statute regulating interstate transportation of explosives, Mr. Miller said. Information was being prepared for the grand jury tending to show that the McNamaras, Ortic McManigal "and others" violated the federal statutes, he

Along this line, Mr. Burns conferred yesterday with J. Kirby, jr., president of the National Association of Manufacturers, and D. M. Parry, a former president of the organization, which is interested with the National Erectors' asso ciation, it is announced, in a campaign against alleged depredations aimed at employers who maintain the "open shop"

The National Erectors' association is represented on the scene of the inquiry by J. A. G. Badorf, assistant to Walter Drew, executive officers of the associa-Mr. Badorf arrived yesterday. Sev eral detectives in the employ of the association have been in the city for weeks and are said to be watching the movements of persons presumed to have been concerned with John D. McNamara's af fairs during the years he was in this city as secretary of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, the books and correspondence of which are now in the hands of the federal grand jury.

"The fact that the two men are to be punished for dynamiting is not the most important feature of this investigation," said Mr. Badorf. "The members of the National Erectors' association are interested chiefly in exposing and bringing to justice the persons responsible for one hundred explosions, destruction of bridge and structural iron work, since August, 1905, in many states, from Massachusetts to the Pacific coast.

"The property destroyed was that of companies employing non-union iron workers. The cost of this campaign of terrorism was enormous, and it was sys tematically carried on. We assert that a number of men besides the McNamaras were concerned in the plans for the explosions and we purpose to assist in every way in uncovering them. shall lend every assistance to the federal authorities and we have every assurance that the investigations will be most thorough."

## STATE IS CO-OPERATING

## Alleged Dynamite Plot.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 4.- The United States government and California are cooperating to uncover one of the most gigantic conspiracies ever conceived in the history of this country."

This was the declaration yesterday of Ford, second in command to District Attorney John D. Fredericks.

"It is only a question of whether the federal government or the state authorities can reach certain persons and bring them to justice more effectually," continued Mr. Ford.

The latter has been in charge of evidence for the prosecution and while his chief, District Attorney Fredericks, was resting on a ranch near here vesterday. Mr. Ford occupied himself with the Mc-Namara case. He admitted that the prosecution had under surveillance in other parts of the country some prominent labor leaders alleged to have been involved in The Times building explosion, but he said that arrests might first be made by the federal government in its investigation.

"The federal government has shown helping them as much as possible," he

tend over the entire country, has been Democrats. increased within the last fortnight, according to well-informed persons here, and in proof of this, it is observed that United States District Attorney A. I. McCormick, now in Washington, and United States District Attorney Miller of Indianapolis and District Attorney Fredericks are in close communication.

Evidence desired by the federal grand

have not stated their position until

IS UNDER WAY The ramifications of the matter are of President Taft, but of Attorney Gen-eral Wickersham. To give the prosecu-tion here more elbow room in its campaign, a grand jury will be empaneled within a week to act immediately upon the return of Judge George H. Hutton, presiding magistrate of the superior courts of Los Angeles county, who is ning Expenses Submitted Today now in Chicago.

#### LABOR WAS REPRESENTED

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 4.—Organized labor was represented at the conference of counsel, at which it was decided to Greatest Ecofforny Shown in Estimates enter pleas of guilty for the McNamaras, This much was admitted to-day by Clarence S. Darrow, the prisoners' chief

Clarence S. Darrow To-day.

#### WIFE OF JURYMAN CHARGES BRIBERY

a Statement That She Was Paid \$500 to Influence Her Husband.

Los Angeles, Dec. 4.—Further details leged nation-wide dynamiting conspiracy were learned to-day of an alleged plot to-day. "No one at all informed believes to influence the McNamara jury. Disthe McNamaras were alone in the opera- trict Attorney Fredericks is declared to tions that covered a hundred explosions have a signed statement made by Mrs. from coast to coast, and the cost was an Robert Bain, wife of the first juror in the case, charging that \$500 was paid propriations made by Congress for the Indictments Against Munday and Shields to her by an agent of the McNamara defense, to influence her husband to secure a disagreement, if not an acquittal,

The McNamaras are to be sentenced to the federal grand jury when it re- to-morrow, but the work of presecution sumes its session Dec. 14. Neither would here, to apprehend other persons in-make a public statement in relation to volved, will go on as corollary to the their talk. "We shall not rest until we investigation of the federal government. have brought to justice all those connected with the dynamiting outrages throughout the country," said Mr. Burns. more indictments by the grand jury, more indictments by the grand jury, when it is empaneled, are looked for.

#### MONEY ACTUALLY PAID

#### Declared District Attorney Fredericks in Bribery Case.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 4 .- District Attorney Fredericks to-day informed the Associated Press that Bert H. Franklin, a detective employed by the McNamara defense and now under arrest on the charge of attempting to bribe George H. Loekwood, a venireman, with \$4,000, actually paid to Robert F. Bain, the first sworn juror in the case, \$400, and prom sed \$3,000 more at the end of the trial if he would vote for acquittal or cause a disagreement of the jury.

The district attorney declared there is only one more case of bribery, so far as he knows not uncovered. He said

#### COLUMBUS BANK IN TROUBLE TO-DAY

Union National Bank of the Ohio City Suspended To-day and Is Now in Hands of the Comptroller of the Currency.

Columbus, O., Dec. 4.-The Union National bank of this city to-day posted a notice of suspension by the board of the bank is now in the hands of the year. comptroller of the currency. It is not thought that the closing of the bank will

any effect on the local financial situation The capital stock of the Union National bank is \$750,000, and its surplus is \$100,000. It is estimated that the deposits of the institution approach \$2,-000.000,

## JOSEPH BUTTERFIELD DEAD.

Aged Brattleboro Man Served With the 7th Vermont Volunteers.

Brattleboro, Dec. 4.-Joseph Butterfield, aged 85, died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George W. Brooks, on South Main street, after an illness of about a month,

He was born in Andover, Dec. 30, 1826. and was one of a family of ten chil-In Bringing to Light Evidence in the Butterfield. He married Jan. 2, 1850. Mary Jane Blodgett, daughter of James A. and Mary P. (Davis) Blodgett, and they celebrated their 60th wedding an niversary Jan. 2, 1910. Mrs. Butterfield survives her husband.

Mr. Butterfield was considered one of the best breeders and trainers of oxen for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Butter-Assistant District Attorney W. Joseph field came to Brattleboro about five years ago to make their home with their daughter. Besides the daughter in Brat-tleboro, he leaves a son, Elwin G. Butterfield of Westminster West, Vt.

Mr. Butterfield was a member of the Baptist church. He at one time held the office of road surveyor. Mr. Butterfield was a member of Co. G., 7th Vermont volunteers and participated in the fall of Vicksburg. Funeral services will be held Tuesday and the burial will be at

### MAYOR INDEPENDENT REPUBLICAN

Rudolph Blankenburg First in 27 Years

Not Elected by Rep. Organization. Philadelphia, Dec. 4.-Rudolph Blank enburg was inaugurated mayor to-day houses of the 62nd Congress convened at sistant judges in county court. The two and for the first time in twenty-seven every disposition to assist us and we are years the city government is in the hands of a man not elected by a Republican organization. The mayor is an The expected speech of Representative in Richmond. Mrs. Coates and Emory The vigor with which the federal government is pressing its investigation into the conspiracy, which is alleged to ex-

#### WILLIAMS COLLEGE GETS \$100,000. By Will of Ossining, N. Y., Woman, Probated To-day.

Williamstown, Mass., Dec. 4.-Williams college has received approximately \$100,000 by the will of Miss Sarah jury in Indianapolis from this place will Pattison of Ossining, N. Y. The will

# WOULD SAVE A LARGE SUM

ning Expenses Submitted Today

## At Conference of Counsel, Said Attorney AT OPENING OF CONGRESS

for Public Works, But Estimate Does Not Include Appropriation for Present Work.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—Estimates of the treasury department for running the government during the next fiscal compared with the amount appropriated for the fiscal year 1911-12. The total government is \$745,834,563. This amount GOVERNMENT WINS does not include the appropriation for the postoffice department, which is expected to be self-sustaining. The appresent fiscal year aggregated \$767,218,-

Economy of government expense pro posed is shown to be greatest in the estimates for public works, which are from \$122,040,060 to \$100,716,702, a de crease of \$21,'23,358. More than half of this decrease is accounted for in a plan of the treasury department for handling appropriations for public buildings and grounds throughout the country by means of a lump appropriation, a departure from the old custom, which may not be adopted by Congress. The new secretary of the treasury has asked for this purpose \$3,000,000 to be expended at his discretion.

Accompanying the estimate for pub-lic buildings and grounds is a note explaining that to care properly for public buildings already authorized by specific appropriations, further appropriations of \$13,000,000 would be necessary. secretary of the treasury does not include this sum in his estimate. embers of Congress usually are careful to secure definite assurance that build-\$13,000,000 will be included in the appropriation bill finally passed, which would out down the apparent saving consider

Decreases are shown in the estimates submitted for the pension fund, conduct of the executive establishment and for

For work on the Panama canal, \$45,-660,000 is estimated, an increase of nearcanal zone, the estimates asking an ap-

an increased appropriation of \$1,500,000 cate him if there was a reward. tal estimate for fortifications and other works of defense is \$7.218,899, nearly

year's appropriations so far as increase work on the ships now under construction and to begin construction of two the Indiana town within a few hours visions for equipment, \$24,323,473 is Saturday.

The estimates recommend the approprintion of \$29,460,438 for the improvement of rivers and harbors, practically all of it to be expended on projects already begun, or authorized. This is about \$500,000 less than the appropriation for the present year.

Postmaster-General Hitchcock estimates that it will cost him \$260,938,463 to run the postal service next year. This is about \$2,500,000 more than the department expended this year. An exerimental parcels post scheme to be placed in operation on postal routes is proposed in the estimates and \$50,000 is asked for this purpose. A proviso gives the postmaster-general authority to limcels carried during the experiment and to fix rates. Experimental aerial postal service "by aeroplane or other devices" in trying out the scheme.

In other departments of the government, the running expenses estimated show little change in totals,

#### BOTH BRANCHES CONVENED AT NOON

Practically All the Members of Both Houses Were Present-Hundreds of Visitors Failed to Gain Entrance.

noon to-day. Practically every member of each house was in his seat. Hundreds of people were unable to gain admission.

#### LITTLETON ON RAMPAGE. Opened Congress Session with a Diatribe

To-day.

# mittee of inquiry into the United States steel corporation. He charged that Henry B. Martin, secretary of the Anti-Trust league, had circulated false accusations against him, and he accused Martin of consorting with David Lamar, a bear operator in Wall street, to aid in the decreasion of steel stock. He in the depression of steel stock. He charged that William Jennings Bryan had "gone off half-cocked" in The Commoner in his comment upon the steel

Mr. Littleton did not demand that the ouse investigate his charges, announ ing that he would content himself with

of the accusation that he was allied with the "trust interests." His references to Mr. Bryan were based upon the Nebras-kan's editorial declaring that Mr. Lit-tleton was a "thoroughgoing reaction-ary" and "will be retired from the committee if the House Demcerats really desire that Democratic profession on the trust question be accepted seriously. Let me say here and now that if in my service upon committee loyalty to my party requires me to do as I am bid, either by the corrupt alliances of Henry B. Martin or the intolerant outside influences represented by William J. Bry an, or the combined influence of both, I year, submitted to Congress to-day, con- shall refuse to obey the mandate of my template a saving of \$21,283,921.43, as party and shall prefer to subscribe my self to the obligations of my oath.

# IN ALASKA FRAUDS

Are Held to Be Valid in Opinion Handed Down To-day.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.- The government to-day won a sweeping victory in its campaign against the Alaska coal lands fraud when the supreme court of the United States decided that a person or association is limited to one coal land entry in Alaska. Accordingly, the court held valid the indictment charging Charles F. Munday and Archie Shields with land fraud conspiracy,

#### AFTER LONG CHASE

Roy George, Alleged Horse Thief, Was Brought Back to Burlington.

Burlington, Dec. 4 .- Roy George, an alleged horse thief, was placed in the county jail here Saturday, having been ceptured in an Indiana town after long George is alleged to have stolings in their respective districts are to be provided the probability is that the same and all, belonging to Ainsworth and Thomas of Richmond. The theft occurred on March 6, 1910, and one horse and a harness and wagon was was found in a small town called Troy, Carr of Stowe. He has been active in in Canada.

wife. An attempt to get him at that for the village, place failed, however, and he was next heard of on Grand Isle, where he was ly \$4,000,000 over the appropriation for said to be operating a steam engine. TWO MEN KILLED the present year. This does not include Again be disappeared and nothing furexpenditures for fortidentions of the ther was heard of him until recently when a letter was received by Sheriff propriation of \$5,640,950 to be expended Allen from a man named W. Z. Coleman for army fortifications and nine sta- at Morgantown, Ind. Mr. Coleman stat- And Four Men Were Injured When Two tions in the zone. For this purpose last ed that he had heard that George was wanted as a deserter and that he was year \$3,000,000 was appropriated. wanted as a deserter and that he was Under the military establishment head in Indiana, where Mr. Celeman could lois asked for sea coast artillery. The to sheriff wrote Mr. Coleman that there was no reward for George but that he and four were injured in a collision bewould pay whatever expense was indirectors. It was further stated that \$2,000,000 more than was spent this curred in locating George. The sheriff heard no more until a few days ago Secretary of the Navy Meyers' esti- when another letter came informing him mates propose continuance of the two that the sheriff at Franklin. Ind., could road. battleship naval program, although the locate George. Sheriff Allen at once teleestimates are \$1,000,000 less than this graphed to the Franklin sheriff with the result that he received word to send a of the navy is concerned. To continued man on to take George back. Deputy Sheriff Ravlin was on the way toward battleships and two colliers, with pro- and returned safely with his man on

## WHITE SLAVERY CASES IN VERMONT ALLEGED

#### Richmond Has Sensation Following Arrest of a Woman and Her Son on Other Charges Recently.

Burlington, Dec. 4 .- Two young girls, discovered hiding in the bay-loft of a livery stable by the father of one of them, who had received a telephone mes. clared that death had been caused by sage notifying him that they were about it to eleven pounds the weight of par- to leave the village, perhaps to enter a on Saturday. He has a son here, life of shame, has created a sensation in the staid little town of Richmond and is also recommended by the postmaster- has led to the discovery by the state general, and he wants \$50,000 to spend authorities of what they believe to be a scheme to procure young girls for the "white slaver" traffic in Boston.

As a result of the startling revelations, said to have been made by the two girls after their plans were known. Mrs. Mina Coates, alias Sarah Coates, of Richmond, is in the county jail here, charged with enticing and procuring young girls for the purposes of prostitution, and Alden Emory, known in Richmond as "Sport" Emory, and said to be the woman's son, is also in juil. charged with adultery in connection with

The charges against Mrs. Coates and Emory were lodged Saturday afternoon by State's Attorney H. B. Shaw as the Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—Both result of a secret inquest before the asgirls concerned in the case are Laura Whitcomb, aged 18, and Marguerite Ald-rich, aged 20, both of well-to-do families

York stirred the House of Representatives to-day with a diatribe against those who he alleged had maliciously in this manner. It is rumored that a widow and one child in Italy. Spano W. W. Hall, Albany, N. Y.; E. M. Risgo forward as quickly as it is asked for, was probated to-day and President GarMr. Ford said. This question has been field of the college made the announce defamed him because of his independent there have been others, but these runad Corstiglio, while seriously hurt, are content at once, attitude as a member of the House commors could not be verified.

W. W. Hall, Albany, N. Y.; E. M. Risfield of the college made the announce defamed him because of his independent there have been others, but these runad Corstiglio, while seriously hurt, are
expected to recover.

Suncook, N. H.

# MILLION LOSS AND ONE LIFE

Great Plant of U. S. Express Co. at Jersey City Burned

# the statement of his position and denial of the allegations against him. Most of Mr. Littleton's speech was devoted to i. defense of his position on the committee and to a complete denial

It Is Thought That Fred Ockray, Night Watchman at Plant, Lost Life While Trying to Liberate Animals -Big Company Crippled.

Jersey City, N. J., Dec. 4 .- The principal plant of the United States Express company, for the service of New York, City and vicinity, was swept by fire this the polished granite bowl, but drivers of his father's barn yesterday when he livery department, consisting of four the animal touches his nose to the wahundred borses and several hundred ter wagons, were destroyed. The plant occupied nearly a whole city block, and the loss is estimated to be \$1,000,000. Fred Ockray, who was the night watch-

man of the building, is thought to have lost his life while trying to rescue the horses. In addition, five firemen were severely injured when they were struck by a falling wall of the structure. The fire started in the manure pit. So threatening did it become that surrounding property was in grave danger. Several wooden tenement buildings located in the vicinity caught fire at va-

rious times but were saved.

The United States Express company lost all its books and records which had been kept since the business was es tablished. More than one thousand persons were employed in the building.

#### STOWE PASTOR RESIGNS.

Rev. A. G. Cornwell Is Going to Elmira, N. Y., Church,

Stowe, Dec. 4.-Rev. A. G. Cornwell, pastor for nearly three years of the Congregational church of Stowe, read his signation Sunday morning, having de cided to accept a call as associate pastor of the Park church of Elmira, N. Y. The call has come entirely unsoficited and unexpected and is a tribute to the ability of the young man, who is a native of London and who came to Stowe soon after graduating from Me-Gill university, Montreal, in 1909. He ound at the home of Chester Simonds was ordained in April, 1910, and in Sep-Waterbury Center. The other horse tember, 1910, married to Miss Mabel Here all trace of George ended for the of the church of which he has served. as he knows not uncovered. He said the department of agriculture. Subthat at present no more arrests were intended.

Here all trace of George ended for the standard from Cobourg, Canada, where had from Cobourg, Canada, where had for the military and naval establishments almost offset the other saving the electric lighting in a few days at her home in War-lighting at the few days at her home in War-lighting at the said the department of agriculture. Subthat the department of the church of which he has served. Here all trace of George ended for the store of the Stowe Civic were had from Cobourg. Canada, where had from Cobourg. Canada, where had from Cobourg the store and Charles he was said to have been living with his lishments almost offset the other sav-

# ON ERIE RAILROAD

Freight Trains Collided in Fog at Kent, Ohio, To-day.

Kent, O., Dec. 4.-Two men were killed tween two freight trains on the Erie railroad here in a fog to-day. The two ther, returned to Barre this morning and men killed were employes of the rail- has resumed his duties in Drown's drug

### SEAMAN SUFFOCATED.

He Was On Burning Steamer, Having Shipped on Vessel Saturday.

Bangor, Me., Dec. 4.-John Sumner also known as John Summers, of East Cambridge, was suffocated in the cabin of the schooner A. F. Kindberg, at South Brewer, when the vessel took fire from an over-heated stove yesterday. Carl Anderson, the mate, and two sailors narrowly escaped, the mate's mustache and cyebrows being burned off. Captain W. Coburn, who was at his home in Hampden, lost valuable papers, and the others

lost their belongings.

The Brewer fire department saved the vessel from serious damage. The body of Sumner was found in a kneeling pe sition at his bunk, burned about the face, neck and back. Coroner Finnegan, who took charge of the remains, desuffocation. Sumner, who was 50 years old, saipped

### TRAINS IN COLLISION.

Some Damage To Rolling Stock, But No One Injured.

Essex Junction, Dec. 4.—The B. & L. mixed train, No. 71, Conductor Poole, while unloading freight at the freight house Saturday afternoon at 1:10 o'clock, under protection of the semaphore, was run into by the Burlington ocal connection for train No. 18. local side-swiped a freight car that overlapped the main line. This broke the force of the collision so that the engine, when it hit the passenger car on the mixed train, did a comparatively small amount of damage. Both steps were broken. The engine on the local received a broken buffer beam and the cap to the steam chest was knocked

## MURDER AT QUINCY

Over the Price of Two Bottles of Beer It Is Said.

Quincy, Mass., Dec. 4 .- A quarrel over the price of two bottles of beer in the Subsequent developments and a complete Italian quarter of this city yesterday ton; Washington County Ministerial asrevelation, it is said, by one of the resulted in the death of James Rucher girls, led to the graver charges being and dangerous wounds to Saderio Spano and Domenico Corstiglio. Spano is unplaced against the prisoners.

It is the belief of the authorities that der arrest in the city hospital, charged the arrest of the Coates woman has with the murder, and Corstiglio, who had nipped in the bud a well-organized plan one eye shot out besides sustaining sev-Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—Representative Martin W. Littleton of New a life of shame, from this state. It is Corstiglio, it is said, attempted the role Me.; F. A. Grant, Lebanon, N. H.; G.

#### FOUNTAIN IS INSTALLED.

Polished Barre Granite Is Being Much Admired By Many People.

Workmen under the direction of Robert Turner, H. E. Reynolds, water superintendent, and Street Superintendent Jesse C. DeBrune have finished installing the new drinking fountain for horses and dogs at the junction of Washington, Elm and Main streets. The fountain, it will be recalled, was presented to the city by the National Humane Alliance of New York City through the efforts of its secretary, the late L. M. Seaver, of Williamstown. In a conspicuous place on the centerpiece of the fountain is placed a bronze tablet bearing the name of the donating society as well as that of its founder, Herman Lee Ensign.

The granite work was set by Mr. Tur-ner of Jones Bros.' shed. Other details necessary to complete the work have been carried out by the water superin-tendent and the superintendent of streets. The stone used in its construction was quarried by Boutwell, Milne & Varnum in Graniteville, cut and polished by Marr & Gordon of this city.

Domestic animals, for whose benefit the gift was especially created, were allowed to use the fountain for the first time Saturday afternoon. Horses familiar with the old fountain, formerly located near the site of the new one, say that this timidity disappears once

Saturday afternoon and all day yesterday, the fountain was visited by many persons and the handsome structure received much favorable comment on all sides. A bronze ball attached to the center piece of the fountain, and in turn. surmounted by a high-power light, will be placed in position within a few days.
The equine that has the distinction of christening the fountain was "Colo-

net," the Shetland pony belonging to Herbert A. Rugg, and Guy Raymond rode him there for the event. STEEL DEFENDANTS ON HAND. Fifty-three Out of Sixty Appeared by

Counsel an Hour Early. Trenton, N. J., Dec. 4 .- Fifty-three of the sixty defendants in the government's dissolution suit against the United States steel corporation put in their formal appearance through their counsel here to-day an hour before court opened. This is the day fixed for their technical appearance, in answer to the subportas issued after the filing of the government's petition. The physical appearance of the defendants was not required

## TALK OF THE TOWN

Dan A. Perry went to Randolph this toon on a brief business trip.

H. A. Goodwin is passing a few days in St. Johnsbury on business. A. B. Pearson left this noon for Iher-

ville, P. Q., where he will be employed during the winter. Miss Elena Huse returned to her home and several others found themselves in here to-day, after being ill for five the water. Some were able to reach the months in the hospital at Lewiston, Me. shore without assistance and the Lemere

Mrs. Alfred Gingras returned to her with a rope.

Albert Birch, a brother of the drowned home in this city Saturday night, after

Swanton. Notice: The Ladies' Auxiliary of Clan Gordon, assessment No. 15 is due and must be paid at once to the financial secretary

Miss Evelina Coffman of Waterbury returned home to-day, after spending several days with Mrs. Margaret Bolles of this city.

John Lambert, who was called to Burlington by the serious illness of his fastore.

Charles W. Barrows, who has been passing a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Barrows. of Central street, returned this morning to Vergennes.

Miss Gertrude Batchelder of Burlington, who has been passing a few days with friends in the city, left this morning for Pinehurst, N. C., where she will pass the winter. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. LeBarron, who

home of A. G. Miles of South Main street, returned Saturday afternoon to their home in Waterbury. Tickets for "The Gamblers," the great drama that comes to the opera house next Friday night, go on sale at Kendrick's Tuesday night at 7 o'clock. Chil-

dren in arms will not be admitted to

have been passing several days at the

this performance, "The Toss of a Coin" a powerful and weird picture play, grand in detail and embracing all that is essential in making interesting pictures. It is an I. M. film, which alone insures its merit. You must see this picture to understand its singular fascination at the Bijou. Look for the silver boot. Shoes re-

and in a workmanlike manner. Am equipped with all the modern machin- 26, 1867, and with the exception of for doing work and use only the best stock possible to obtain. Employed in the G. N. Tilden store for the past seventeen years. Peter Depatie, Bol-112 North Main street. Nurse Winch has returned from attendance on Mrs. Wm. McKenzie at o'clock Tuesday afternoon, Rev. J. Q. Websterville and next Saturday leaves Angell officiating. The burial will be in

Barre for Boston, where she sails for the Williamstown cemetery. London, Eng. Thanksgiving day a number of friends gathered at Mrs. McKen zie's and gave Miss Winch a handsomgold bracelet. The family of Celeste Bianchi of Comolli street, members of which were stricken by ptomaine, poisoning last Friday forenoon shortly after eating

canned sardines, are recovering from the

effects of the poison. Mr. Bianchi was

able to be about the house soon after

taking an antidote, but three children

were confined for several days, Guests registered at the City hotel vesterday and to-day were as follows: B. Carpenter, Bellows Falls; C. S. Colburn, jr., Boston; J. Berquest, Bossociation (12); F. A. Young, New York City; F. K. Foster, Hanover, N. H.; "Gver Night" Co. (14).

Guests registered at the hotel Otis yesterday were as follows: A. L. La-Chance, Waterbury, Conn.; C. E. Grossarth, Burlington; J. C. Dubar, Dexter.

# **BOY VICTIM** OF BULLET

Mysterious Tragedy at Liberty, Me., Baffles Officers

Ralph Emerson, Aged 12, Died as Result of Wound Inflicted terday-Was at First Thought He Was Killed by Hunter.

Liberty, Me., Dec. 4.—Ralph Emerson, aged 12 years, died to-day from the effects of a bullet wound which was inlicted in a mysterious manner. The was shot. It is not known from what direction the shot came or by whom it was fired. At first it was thought that the youth was mistaken for a deer or hit by a stray bullet, but an investigation was begun to-day.

### LITTLE GIRL DROWNED, COMPANIONS SAVED

Ruth Birch Was Skating On Thin Ice At Brattleboro Yesterday Afternoon-Others Rescued With Difficulty.

Brattleboro, Dec. 4.—Ruth Idelle Birch, the 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Birch, was drowned shortly after two o'clock yesterday afternoon while skating on a small inlet of the Connecticut river, a few rods from her bome. The body was recovered by her father in six feet of water, 100 feet from the shore, about 30 minutes after the accident.

Three of her companions, a brother, Albert Birch, Harold Oakes and Joseph Lemere, also broke through the ice and were rescued with difficulty. The ice was so thin that it was with great danger to the rescuers that the other children were brought to the shore, where physicians attended them. When the girl's body was brought up from the bottom Dr. Tucker worked over her for

nearly an hour. In company with a number of chil-dren, the Birch girl had been skating about on what is known as Little river, when suddenly the ice broke and she uccessfully attempting to reach his

home in this city Saturday night, after girl, and Harold Oakes were helped out of the water, but the girl had gone down a short time before. While grappling irons were being secured, a boat was emptied of water and a patch broken through the ice from the shore to the spot where the girl went down. The child was a pupil in the sixth grade of the Main street school.

### MINISTERS IN CONFERENCE.

Their Monday Club Guests of Revs. E. C. Downey and J. W. Barnett.

The regular meeting of the Ministers' Monday club was held at the Universalist church in this city to-day, the minbeing the guests of Rev. E. C. Downey of that church and Rev. J. W. Barnett of the Barre Congregational church. At the opening session this forenoon, Rev. W. R. Clarke of the Church of the Messiah at Montpelier, delivered an address on "The Humor of Dr. Crother." At the noon hour the clergymen were the guests of the Revs. Downey and Barnett at dinner in the City hotel and on the resumption of the session this afternoon, Rev. S. F. Blomfield of Christ church, Montpelier, gave a paper on "What Is Christianity?"

#### DEATH OF MRS. GEORGE EARLE. Williamstown Woman Had Been Ill Two

Years. Mrs. Martha (Jeffords) Earle, the wife of George C. Earle, died at her home in Williamstown Sunday morning at 12:30, after two years of suffering from a maliquant trouble.

Mrs. Earle was born in Williamstown Feb. 1, 1849, and was the daughter of paired while you wait in first-class style | Liberty S. and Doreas Martin Jeffords She was married to Mr. Earle March a few years' residence in Barre, they have always made their home in Williamstown. Besides her husband, is survived by one daughter, Mrs. H. D. Holt of Barre. The funeral will be held from the home in Williamstown at 2

### FUNERAL HELD TO-DAY.

That of Mrs. Julian Tilden Austin, Who Died Last Saturday.

The funeral of Mrs. Julian Tilden Austin, whose death occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs, W. A. Drew, 60 Orange street, early Saturday morning. was held at the house this afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. E. C. Downey, pastor of the Universalist church, officiating. The bearers were Dr. Charles E. Austin of Chicago and Capt, Fred T. Austin. Third Field artillery, U. S. A., of Rock Island, Ill., sons of the deceased, Charles Dole of Northfield and W. A. Drew of this city, sons-in-law of Mrs. Austin, Dr. C. W. Steele and N. J. Roberts. The burial took place in Hope cemetery,

Among those present at the funeral from out of the city were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dole of Northfield, Rev. Waiter Dole of Enfield, N. H.

Owing to delays on the main line, the Central Vermont train due to reach Barre at 12:55 this afternoon, was forty-five minutes late.